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19 April 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,  
Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Sheldon,  
Mr. Abbot Smith, [REDACTED]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Noted he had received a memorandum from Deputy Secretary of Defense Roswell Gilpatric proposing that there be established a Critical Areas Board which would have the assigned function of coordinating U. S. Government policies and activities in critical areas, e.g., Cuba, Laos, Congo, Southern Vietnam. Copies of this proposal have been furnished to DD/P and DD/I and the Director asked for their views not later than 11:30 on Thursday, 20 April.

25X1 b. Noted we had received on a "highly confidential basis" a report [REDACTED] that it has  
25X1 evidence and in fact Eichmann has admitted to being a Communist. It is the hope [REDACTED] that this can be brought out in the  
Eichmann trial. The Director said he had passed this information on to Edward R. Murrow and while no action is to be taken at the moment, it was his (DCI's) thought that the U. S. should be prepared to make appropriate use of this information when the opportunity presents itself. The Director also commented that it would be more convincing if verification and evidence can be obtained from sources other than [REDACTED]  
25X1 [REDACTED] that Eichmann is in fact a Communist, and asked Mr. Helms to see what we can turn up in this regard.

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c. Noted that the Chief, CI Staff, had sent out a rather lengthy book message on a particularly sensitive subject, and commented while the information contained therein should be made available to the Stations concerned, in view of the volume of cable traffic at the moment, it would have been better if the information concerned had been transmitted by other means, e.g., by pouch where possible and by hand of TDY travelers. Mr. Helms stated that the same thought had struck him when he saw the come-back copy of this message and undertook to caution the DD/P components to hold down transmission by cables as much as possible.

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